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Abstract

The minor atmospheric constituents associated with and affected by aircraft exhaust emissions at altitudes from 6 to 20 km will be monitored in flight programs presently being implemented. Preliminary in situ data are available from flight tests of dedicated instruments to be used in these programs. A Global Atmospheric Sampling Program using Boeing 747 airliners was determined to be feasible in studies conducted by airlines and airframe companies. Worldwide monitoring in the troposphere and the lower stratosphere is planned. Stratospheric air sampling on a more local basis will be done with a U2 aircraft. Measuring system evaluations and improvements have been required to detect the low background levels.

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Introduction

Various test vehicles are being used for in situ and remote sensing measurements of minor atmospheric constituents. This paper presents and describes several programs currently being implemented by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) which use aircraft as carriers for instrument packages for in situ measurements. These programs are aimed at obtaining air-quality data over various periods of time ranging from minutes (in an aircraft wake) to years (in the ambient environment); over a wide range of altitudes, from 6 to 20 kilometers; and over a wide variance of global locations.

The continuing debate regarding the impact on the natural ambient environment of aircraft operating at high altitudes is continually pointing out the need for data regarding the status of certain minor atmospheric constituents with time and location. Potentially harmful reactions between engine exhaust products and ambient levels of ozone have been demonstrated (ref. 1) in laboratory tests. However, these reactions may be affected by the rates and levels at which these exhaust products are injected and dispersed in the atmosphere. The Department of Transportation (DOT) is currently conducting an investigation called the Climatic Impact Assessment Program (CIAP) which has as its goal the prediction of the potential effect that large fleets of aircraft operating at high altitudes will have on the ambient atmosphere. Some of the more pertinent information being explored in this program is given in references 2 and 3. This program represents comprehensive look at all aspects of the potential atmospheric impact, but it relies on a limited amount of data taken in the atmosphere and is limited because of a rigorous time schedule terminating in 1974. These limitations will certainly be factors in the final assessment arrived at in this program.

The data which are currently being used for the development of atmospheric models that are and will be used to assess aircraft impact, such as in CIAP, are mainly obtained with balloons, rocket sondes, and research aircraft. These data

have provided a significant bank of information regarding altitude profiles of atmospheric constituents (refs. 4 and 5) but are limited to local areas of the earth's atmosphere. The use of satellites with remote sensors to observe the earth's stratospheric constituents on a circumferential basis is showing considerable promise also and should provide considerable data in the future. At this time, however, it is apparent that the airplane equipped with dedicated instruments provides a unique capability to obtain data over a widely dispersed area of the globe and to obtain altitude profile data to approximately 20 kilometers. Because of this capability, NASA is currently implementing several high-altitude air-quality measurement programs. These programs are aimed at providing both local and widely dispersed data over a long period of time. These data will furnish a data bank that will be made available to both atmospheric scientists and aerospace engineers. It is our hope that these data will supply the necessary inputs to determine more accurate atmospheric models, to provide an additional input for determining the potential impact of aircraft on our environment, and to determine which aircraft engine exhaust products are most detrimental to the ambient environment. Reduction of these detrimental exhaust constituents will be the major thrust of aircraft engine pollution reduction research.

This paper describes the programs that are being implemented, discusses the main reasons for utilizing aircraft as instrument carriers, presents some preliminary results of measurements made with a "breadboard" measurement system, discusses the current limitations of dedicated instruments for making the in situ measurements, and describes an automated system that is planned for application aboard commercial Boeing 747 aircraft for a global sampling effort.

Aircraft as Pollution Source and Monitor

Pollution Source

The exhaust constituents which are discharged by an aircraft engine into the atmosphere are composed of inert substances and unreacted oxygen from the air, products of combustion, oxides of nitrogen produced by heating the air, and elements or compounds derived from sulfur and trace metals present in hydrocarbon fuel. An example of the type and concentration of these constituents for a particular engine operating condition is illustrated in table 1. The source that produces the individual constituents is also indicated. It is important to note that the particular levels of the constituents shown reflect current aircraft engine technology and are not representative of advanced combustion design technology that will reduce those products affected by the combustion process.

Of primary interest are those products associated with incomplete combustion such as carbon monoxide (CO), total hydrocarbons (THC), hydrogen

(H₂), particulates (smoke), oxides of nitrogen (NO_x), sulfur compounds (SO₂ and SO₃), and trace metals. Many of these products are of considerable concern because of potential interactions with the ambient environment that can produce a detrimental effect on both low- and high-altitude air quality. A continual buildup of these constituents over a period of time in either the troposphere or the stratosphere could lead to potential detrimental effects. Hence, they are of considerable interest from an air-quality-monitoring viewpoint. The discharge of water vapor (H₂O), carbon dioxide (CO₂) and particulates into the ambient environment may have an impact on the climate and the weather over a long period of time. Hence, they too are of considerable interest for monitoring purposes.

Perhaps the most controversial potential effect of aircraft operation in the upper atmosphere is related to the potential interactions between NO and ozone (O₃) which could result in depletion of the natural O₃ level. It is therefore imperative that O₃ also be monitored.

Pollution Monitor

The reason that the commercial airliner is attractive as a flight vehicle to monitor detrimental constituents of aircraft exhaust is illustrated in figure 1. This map related some of the present commercial airline routes to the earth's surface. As is easily observable, a considerable portion of the earth's atmosphere is traversed by commercial airliners. In most cases these routes are used daily, as a minimum. The North Atlantic route and some of the transcontinental routes have extremely heavy traffic on a less-than-hourly basis. This type of route structure provides a wide variance in locale, as well as coverage of both upper troposphere and lower stratosphere, to provide a reasonably comprehensive survey of the globe. This was one of the features which made commercial airline aircraft attractive to NASA as a test vehicle for air-quality monitoring. Furthermore, these aircraft would monitor the air quality in the flight corridors where the majority of the engine exhaust products are discharged and where potential detrimental effects could be the greatest.

In addition to the commercial airline aircraft, other aircraft can also be used on a more local basis to obtain data for the "off-route" areas and to provide data at the altitudes at which the commercial airlines do not fly. This information is of interest to determine the contribution of natural effects, such as thunderstorms, as well as the manmade contribution to the ambient environment.

Current NASA Aircraft Programs

The basic aircraft programs being implemented by NASA which involve atmospheric sampling use aircraft in current service. These programs provide a wide variety of capabilities in terms of their goals and are unique in their objectives. However, the data gathered will be interrelated for overall analysis.

Global Atmospheric Sampling Program

The Global Atmospheric Sampling Program (GASP) has as its objectives (1) the determination

and documentation of worldwide concentrations of atmospheric constituents associated with gaseous and particulate pollutants in the troposphere and the lower stratosphere (up to 12 km) over a period of several years and (2) the determination of the contribution of jet aircraft to possible atmospheric contamination during this time period. In order to accomplish these objectives, a program study was performed to determine the most viable method of approach. This study led to the selection of a plan to utilize commercial jet airliners because of their global route structure (fig. 1) and because of their frequency of travel, both of which would allow the accumulation of a large amount of widely dispersed data. A timetable to implement and conduct the program was selected, and a data acquisition period of from 3 to 5 years was chosen. A considerable amount of preparatory work in instrument selection, system design, preliminary flight tests, and overall program feasibility based on using in-service commercial airplanes was necessary prior to the initiation of this program. The results of these efforts are discussed in detail in subsequent sections of this paper. The program is being managed by the NASA Lewis Research Center.

Stratospheric Air Sampling Program

The Stratospheric Air Sampling Program (SASP) has as its objectives (1) the determination of the background levels of various minor atmospheric constituents in the 12- to 20-kilometer altitude region, (2) the determination of the contribution of both natural and manmade perturbations to stratospheric air quality on a somewhat local basis, and (3) provision of data for stratospheric mixing models to validate and/or revise analytical techniques. This program is being managed out of the NASA Ames Research Center and utilizes U2 aircraft as the measurement system carrier. This aircraft is shown in figure 2. The type of instrumentation to be used in this program is similar to that being considered for the GASP program, with the exception that the equipment need not be as critically designed for automated and long-term operation. However, the concentrations of some of the detrimental exhaust constituents to be measured may be somewhat different; and, hence, the sensitivity requirements might vary to some extent. A detailed description of this program and the measuring system is given in reference 2. No further information on this program is given in this paper.

Stratospheric Jet Wake Experiment

The Stratospheric Jet Wake Experiment (SJWE), which is in its early stages, is aimed at measuring the dispersion and dissipation of pollutants in the jet wake of an aircraft. This program is being managed by the NASA Ames Research Center, with principal assistance from the NASA Flight Research Center and additional assistance from the Lewis and Langley Research Centers. Part of this effort is concerned with determining the feasibility of using dedicated instruments for making in-situ measurements within a jet wake over a period of time in an attempt to assess the pollutant dispersion and potential reactions that may occur between the engine exhaust products and the minor constituents in the ambient atmosphere. Several preliminary flights have been conducted

using the NASA Ames Research Center CV-990 airplane instrumented with several types of in situ measurement systems as the sensing aircraft and RB-57 and F-104 as the emission source aircraft. The CV-990 was flown into the wake of the source aircraft and various constituents were measured. The tests were conducted in the troposphere within the near field of the source aircraft (0.6- to 10-km separation). One of these flights along with some preliminary measurements made within the wake of the source aircraft using several prototype instruments for the GASP system, is described in a subsequent section of this paper.

Primary Constituents and Candidate Measuring Techniques

The atmospheric pollutants that are a part of the exhaust emissions of jet engines (as described previously) are and will be measured in situ by instrumented aircraft. The minor atmospheric constituents that may be modified by reacting with these emissions will also be measured. A complete list of these exhaust and atmospheric constituents could be made very long; however, they must be confined to those which can be readily measured from an aircraft test platform. At the present time, easily measurable constituents include O_3 , water vapor, and particle concentrations and size distributions above 0.2 micrometer in diameter. The identity and total mass of airborne particles can also be obtained by filter and impactor techniques. Instruments are also available to measure CO, NO_x , CO_2 , and particle concentrations and size distributions below 0.2 micrometer (Aitken nuclei). More care must be used, however, to make these measurements.

Background Levels and Instrument Capabilities

The approximate ranges of gaseous and particulate atmospheric pollutants at altitude and ground level (nonurban) are given in figure 3. This information was provided by Dr. John Miller of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) from a review of available data gathered by balloons, rockets, and aircraft research flights. The capability of certain available instrument measurement techniques is also shown in this figure. These available techniques include only those considered as candidates for the commercial airline installations discussed later in this paper. This application imposes restrictions on measurement techniques that would not necessarily apply to laboratory equipment.

The figure shows that some pollutant concentrations are below the range of candidate instruments available at the time of this study. The atmospheric constituent concentrations that were measured include O_3 , water, and particulates greater than 0.2 micrometer in diameter. The instrument chosen to measure O_3 uses the ultraviolet absorption principle. The water vapor measurement is based on aluminum oxide adsorption. Both instruments can cover the expected background levels. The measurement of particle concentration and size distribution can be obtained if the particle diameter is above 0.2 micrometer.

Methods have been demonstrated or proposed to improve the sensitivity of the candidate measuring techniques for CO, NO_x , and CO_2 . Some development effort and time will be necessary before these improvements can be evaluated and subsequently utilized for routine aircraft measurements. Figure 3(a) shows that the low range of the CO measurement technique must be extended about an order of magnitude. The four commercially available chemiluminescence instruments to measure NO_x appear to have limited capability to measure this constituent at altitude. Recent research instrument developments to improve the low range of the chemiluminescent measurement by about two orders of magnitude appear promising. The measurement problem for CO_2 (non dispersive infrared, or NDIR) is unique in that the candidate instrument will cover the range but lacks the resolution to detect the relatively small concentration variations that must be known to detect any pollution effects. The candidate instruments for measuring SO_2 require more than an order of magnitude extension at the low end of the range to detect this pollutant. No methods have been investigated to improve the sensitivity of these candidate measuring techniques. Instruments suitable for aircraft installations which will measure total hydrocarbons (THC) and ammonia (NH_3) at estimated background levels are not currently available.

Measuring particles below 0.2 micrometer in diameter (Aitken nuclei) requires a condensation nuclei counter. The counters under consideration appear to cover most of the expected range of nuclei concentrations at airliner flight altitude (fig. 3(b)). A basic problem in the use of condensation nuclei counters at these altitudes is the low ambient pressure of the air sample. The operating principle requires expansion of the air for the condensation process. The low-pressure air must, therefore, be initially pressurized to about 1 atmosphere prior to expansion. This also allows the basic calibrations of the instrument, which are made at 1 atmosphere, to be used. Care must be taken in pressurizing the air to avoid changing the nuclei concentrations. Compression by pumping tends to drive the nuclei together. A procedure being evaluated is to pressurize the air sample in a chamber by charging it with the pressurized aircraft cabin air which has been passed through a filter to remove all nuclei and then introducing the sample into the counter. The nuclei concentrations are not expected to be altered by this technique, which will be flight tested as part of the overall program.

Experimental Flight Test Evaluations

Experimental System

As part of the implementation of the Global Atmospheric Sampling and Stratospheric Air Sampling Programs, selected instruments have been flight tested on the NASA CV-990 aircraft. This aircraft, with its flexibility for installation of laboratory-type equipment and its data acquisition systems (ref. 2), provided an ideal facility for atmospheric studies and evaluations of atmospheric measurement instruments. Figure 4 shows the location of several external probes on the CV-990 for acquiring outside air samples. The many

measuring systems that were used concurrently on flights required several probes of slightly different configurations. These are shown in the forward part of the aircraft (figure 4).

An air sample flow system from the external probes into the instruments being evaluated is shown in figure 5. Some measurements, such as O_3 , used the outside air sample pressurized to 1 atmosphere by a diaphragm-type pump. Pressure-regulating valves held the pressure at 1 atmosphere with inlet pressures (including the dynamic pressure) varying from 0.68 to 0.25 atmosphere (6 to 12 km). Other instruments, such as the particle counter, need an air sample as undisturbed as possible. In order to accomplish this, air is ducted as directly as possible (large-radius bends) into the sensor unit. Separate tubing materials are necessary for these air sample lines. Teflon surfaces are required to minimize the destruction of O_3 . However, particles will cling to Teflon and, therefore, stainless steel must be used in such systems as the particle counter.

Instruments Flight Tested

Table 2 lists many of the instrument operating principles that were evaluated during recent CV-990 flight tests to measure several minor atmospheric constituents.

Four methods for measuring O_3 operated satisfactorily. Chemiluminescence using ethylene gave fast response times but presents a potential fire hazard from the ethylene. Ultraviolet absorption (zero reference system) displayed a 20-second step time delay. A second derivative spectroscopy unit was used to scan five constituents, resulting in 16-minute intervals between the measurements of a given constituent. The specific-wavelength scan period to observe a particular constituent repeatedly took 5 minutes. The electrochemical technique showed a response time of about 30 seconds.

Two methods for measuring CO displayed limited capability. The fluorescent nondispersive infrared (NDIR) technique lacked sensitivity to detect concentrations in nonurban areas and above ground level, as did the chemical-optical technique (hot mercuric oxide). A laboratory-modified version of this technique demonstrated sufficient sensitivity for detection of low concentrations but presented some calibration problems and difficulties in flight.

The NDIR technique for measuring CO presented a resolution problem (as noted earlier). Also, sensitivity to vibration and aircraft maneuvers, as well as zero and span drift, became apparent during flight.

Tests of the aluminum oxide adsorption hygrometer are discussed by Edward Hilsenrath in another paper presented at this meeting.

Other instrument operating principles were examined to a very limited extent. Initial difficulties were encountered and not resolved because of the limited time allocated to the flight periods. More testing time is needed to obtain better evaluations. In general, it can be stated that improvements, and in some cases,

development of many of the instruments are required to detect the low-level concentrations of the various constituents in the upper atmosphere and to perform under the pressure and vibration conditions encountered during operation in aircraft.

Preliminary Results

Comparison of the two O_3 measurement principles and the effect of cabin pressurization and air sample pressurization on O_3 levels were obtained on several of the CV-990 flight tests. These data are shown in figure 6. Both the ultraviolet absorption and the electrochemical (KI) measurement techniques show good agreement when the air sample is pressurized to 1 atmosphere by a diaphragm pump. The error due to loss of O_3 in this system proved to be small. Laboratory tests showed O_3 losses through the complete plumbing system, including the pump and the Teflon lines, of less than 20 percent for stay times in the system of about 20 seconds. Flight tests also showed small losses of O_3 , in the pressurized system. Figure 7 compares data points for an instrument connected directly to the low-pressure outside air to those from an instrument connected to the pressurizing system. Good agreement is shown between the pressurized and unpressurized systems. The outside sensing instrument required encasement in a container vented to outside pressure.

During one flight, the electrochemical instrument was detached from the outside air line and set up to measure the O_3 level in the pressurized cabin of the CV-990. With outside O_3 levels around 50 to 80 parts per billion, the amount of O_3 in the cabin was about 50 to 60 percent less, as shown in figure 6. The inlet to the instrument that was measuring cabin O_3 was about 8 feet from the cabin air inlet duct.

Global Atmospheric Sampling Program

The GASP program is presently in the implementation phase for installing the first system on an airline aircraft. The initial phase was a feasibility study conducted by airlines (American, United, and Trans World) and the Boeing Company. The concept was found to be both technically feasible and acceptable to the airlines. The study resulted in the selection of the Boeing 747 airliner to carry the equipment. This selection was based on (1) the available nonrevenue space on aircraft, (2) the provision of global coverage, and (3) the availability of an inertial navigation system (INS) and an air data system (ADS) to pinpoint time and location of the air constituent measurements.

The location of the air inlet probe and measuring equipment on the Boeing 747 is illustrated in figure 8. The probe is mounted well forward on the under part of the fuselage to collect an undisturbed air sample and to be free of ground-handling interference. The sample is ducted back about 15 feet to the location of the measuring system, which is mounted on special racks on the left side of the aircraft forward of the existing avionics rack.

Description of System

The GASP system can be best described by dividing it into four elemental or functional categories: (1) the inlet probe with a sealing cap for closing off the airflow below sampling altitude; (2) the air sample ducting and pressurization and flow control units; (3) the air constituent measuring instruments; and (4) the data acquisition, management, and control units. The first three elements are essentially the complete air sample flow system. This is shown schematically in figure 9. Air from the controlled inlet probe will be ducted through a filter unit for particle identification (for later laboratory analysis). A separate tube from the same inlet supplies a sample to the small-particle and nuclei counters. Flow for the gas analyzer instruments goes through another tube to a pump and a pressure regulation system and into the instrument intake manifold. A bypass of the pressurization system is included for those measuring devices which do not require a pressurized air sample. The measuring devices are connected between inlet and outlet manifolds which are held at a constant differential pressure by pressure regulators. The exhaust from the outlet manifold is discharged to the outside through a vent in the nose gear wheel well of the Boeing 747 aircraft.

A calibration cycle will be necessary during flight for some instruments. A number of solenoid valves are used to shut off the outside airflow, to provide a supply of zero gas, and to supply a calibration gas for checking the span of each instrument.

The fourth element in the GASP system is the data acquisition and control system, as shown in figure 10. Under the constraints which require the complete system to operate automatically with no attention by the airline flight crew other than emergency procedures, the control inputs for the entire flight must be automatically programmed. Control signals to the system will be generated as functions of time, pressure altitude, and interfaces with other aircraft systems by Data Management and Control Unit. This unit contains the necessary logic (timing and sequencing) to perform all data management and control functions for the entire air sample system. All data from the air constituent measuring instruments, related data on system operation, and data from the aircraft systems are channeled through the Flight Data Acquisition Unit. This unit is a standard ARINC 573 flight recording unit familiar to many airline operators. The output of this unit is properly conditioned for recording on a standard serial digital flight recorder using magnetic tape.

Constraints on System

The airline feasibility study defined some ground rules that should be imposed on the instrumentation system. The reasoning was that the systems would be installed on scheduled commercial aircraft being operated for revenue and, therefore, should not interfere with the normal airline operations. The specific constraints are as follows:

(1) No revenue space would be taken from either the passenger compartment or the cargo hold.

(2) No air crew duties would be imposed beyond operation of an on/off switch.

(3) Limited servicing and maintenance would be performed on an noninterference basis.

(4) FAA Supplemental-Type Certification will be required.

The finalized design and implementation of the final system will necessarily require that these constraints be adhered to.

Aircraft Jet Wake Measurements

As part of a study being conducted to assess the problems and feasibility of locating and sampling engine exhaust products in an aircraft wake, a rendezvous flight between the Ames Research Center's CV-990 and the Flight Research Center's F-104 was conducted over the coast of southern California. The flight experiment was conducted at an altitude of approximately 11 kilometers and a flight speed of approximately Mach 0.8. The main purposes of this experiment were to determine the ability of the sensing aircraft (CV-990) to find and remain in the F-104 wake and to determine the ability of the onboard measurement systems to detect concentration levels of certain constituents in the exhaust plume.

The F-104 as it rendezvoused with the CV-990 is shown in figure 11. After initial contact was made, the F-104 accelerated away from the sensing aircraft and generated the exhaust plume that was to be monitored. Because of favorable atmospheric conditions a clearly visible contrail was produced by the source aircraft. The contrail formed during the actual flight is shown in figure 12. This visible contrail was used to locate and position the sensing aircraft in the wake. The aircraft separation distance as measured by radar was varied from approximately 0.6 to 10 kilometers. Due to the turbulence in the wake, the sensing aircraft was intermittently pitched in and out of the wake. Hence, the gas samples being sensed by the onboard instruments were constantly varying.

The variation of some of the exhaust constituents as a function of time, aircraft separation, and engine operation with afterburning are shown in figure 13. The principal gaseous constituents measured were CO, NO_x, and O₃. The NO_x was measured with a chemiluminescence monitor with a sensitivity of 10 parts per billion volume, the CO with a fluorescent NDIR monitor with a sensitivity of 200 parts per billion volume, and the O₃ with an ultraviolet absorption monitor with a sensitivity of 3 parts per billion volume. The decreases in both CO and NO_x levels as aircraft separation distance is increased shows the relative mixing and dispersion of the engine exhaust products with distance (time). Also the high values of CO observed during the encounter illustrate the inefficiency of combustion typical of jet engine afterburners. No discernible changes in O₃ levels could be attributed to aircraft separation distance or to measurements taken within or out of the wake. (The separation distances can be

converted into times, from pollutant injection to measurement, varying from approximately 0.2 to 1.0 second.) Hence, no reaction between the NO in the exhaust and the ambient O₃ would be expected, nor was any observed. This type of preliminary data can be used as an input into near-field jet wake mixing models such as the one described in reference 6.

Concluding Remarks

Programs to measure certain minor atmospheric constituents in situ by using aircraft as carriers of dedicated instruments are currently being implemented by NASA. These programs provide a means of obtaining atmospheric data over a wide variance of altitudes and localities and are aimed at obtaining information regarding the effects of both natural and manmade (aircraft exhaust pollutants) perturbations on the ambient environment. These data will be obtained over a period of years and should provide atmospheric scientists with valuable data regarding the status of the ambient environment of both the upper troposphere and the stratosphere (6- to 20-km altitudes). Continuous global monitoring of the 6- to 13-km altitude regime will be provided by commercial scheduled airliners.

Limitations in sensitivity of presently available dedicated instruments will have an impact on the type and quality of initially obtained data. Accurate measurements of O₃, water vapor, and the size, distribution, and composition of particulates are possible with minor modifications to existing instruments. Laboratory-type instruments are capable of measuring NO_x, CO, CO₂, and THC; but these instruments are not sufficiently developed for use on commercial airliners at the present time.

Improvements in instrument sensitivity and operating principles to provide acceptable automated aircraft instruments is possible and should be developed in the near future. When these instruments are made available, they will be factored into the aircraft programs currently being implemented.

The data to be provided by the aircraft sensing programs described herein will provide an important data bank until remote sensing systems and vehicles can be developed and utilized to provide a continuous and complete atmospheric monitoring network.

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TABLE 1. - ENGINE EXHAUST CONSTITUENTS

[FUEL IS COMMERCIAL JET A-1 KEROSENE; THE OVERALL FUEL-AIR RATIO IS 0.014.]

CONSTITUENTS	SOURCE	ESTIMATED CONCENTRATION
N ₂	AIR	77% (VOL)
O ₂	AIR	16.6% (VOL)
A	AIR	0.9% (VOL)
H ₂ O	EFF COMBUSTION	2.7% (VOL)
CO ₂	EFF COMBUSTION	2.8% (VOL)
CO	INEFF COMBUSTION	10-50 PPM
UNBURNED HC	INEFF COMBUSTION	5-25 PPM
PARTIALLY OXIDIZED HC	INEFF COMBUSTION	
H ₂	INEFF COMBUSTION	5-50 PPM
SMOKE (PARTICULATES)	INEFF COMBUSTION	0.4-50 PPM (MASS)
NO, NO ₂	HEATING OF AIR	50-400 PPM
SO ₂ , SO ₃	FUEL	1-10 PPM
TRACE METALS	FUEL	5-20 PPB

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TABLE 2. - INSTRUMENT OPERATING PRINCIPLES EVALUATED

ATM CONSTITUENT	SENSITIVITY, PPB	OPERATING PRINCIPLE
O ₃	1	CHEMILUMINESCENCE (C ₂ H ₄)
O ₃	3	UV ABSORPTION (ZERO REFERENCE SYSTEM)
O ₃	10	UV ABSORPTION (2ND DERIVATIVE UV SPECTROSCOPY)
CO	5	ELECTROCHEMICAL (KI)
CO	200	CHEMICAL-OPTICAL
CO	10	CHEMICAL-OPTICAL (MODIFIED)
CO	200	FLUORESCENT NDIR
CO ₂	10 ³	NDIR
H ₂ O	10 ³	AI OXIDE ADSORPTION
NO _x	1	CHEMILUMINESCENCE
NO _x	.3	CHEMILUMINESCENCE (MODIFIED)

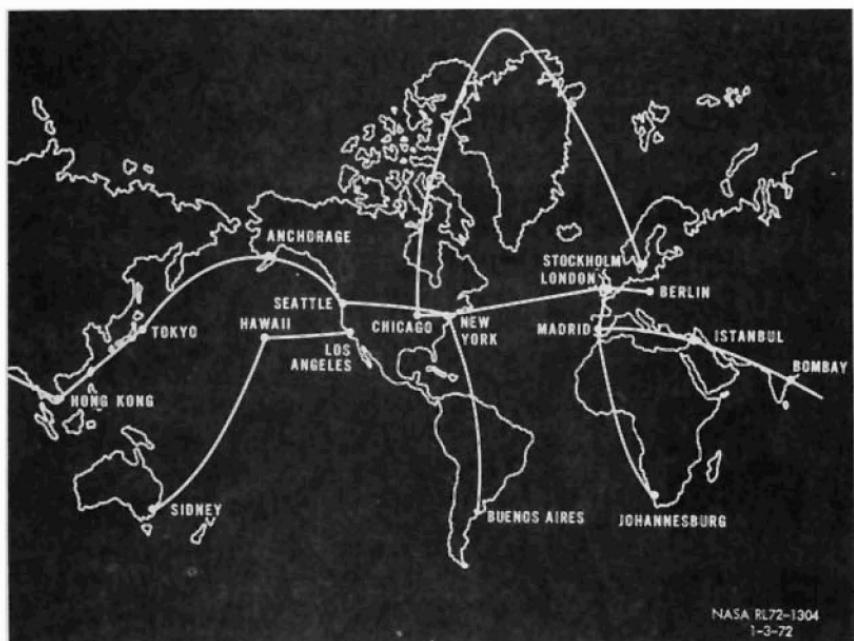
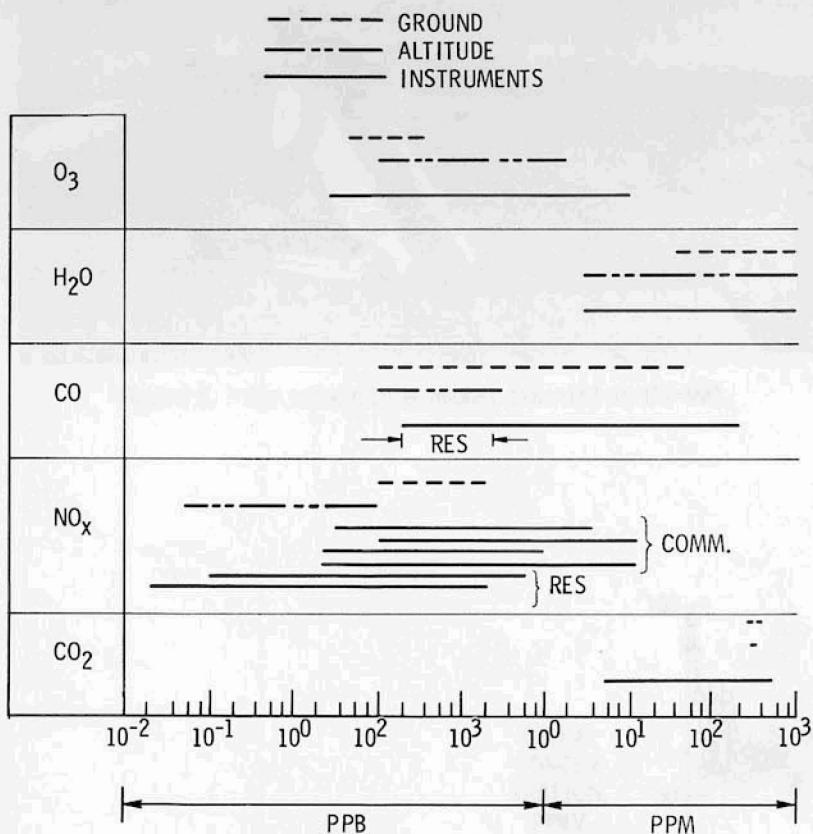


Figure 1. - Global atmosphere sampling proposed routes.

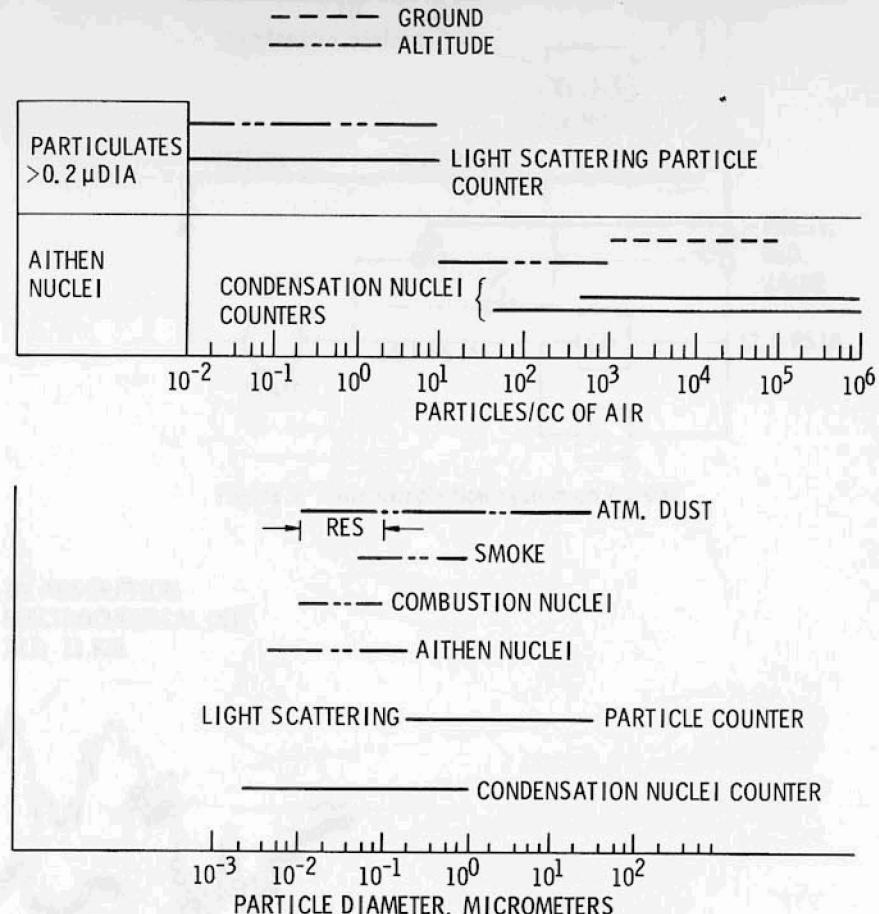


Figure 2. - U2 aircraft used for stratospheric air quality measurements.



(a) GASEOUS ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTANTS.

Figure 3. - Ranges of particle concentrations and capabilities of candidate instruments.



(b) PARTICULATE ATMOSPHERIC POLLUTANTS

Figure 3. - Concluded.



Figure 4. - Air sample inlet probes mounted on CV-990.

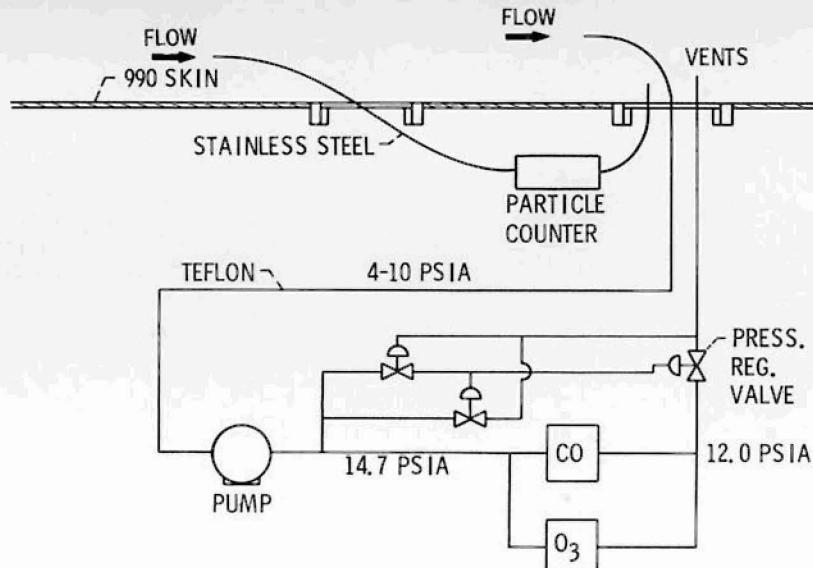


Figure 5. - Air sample flow system on CV 990.

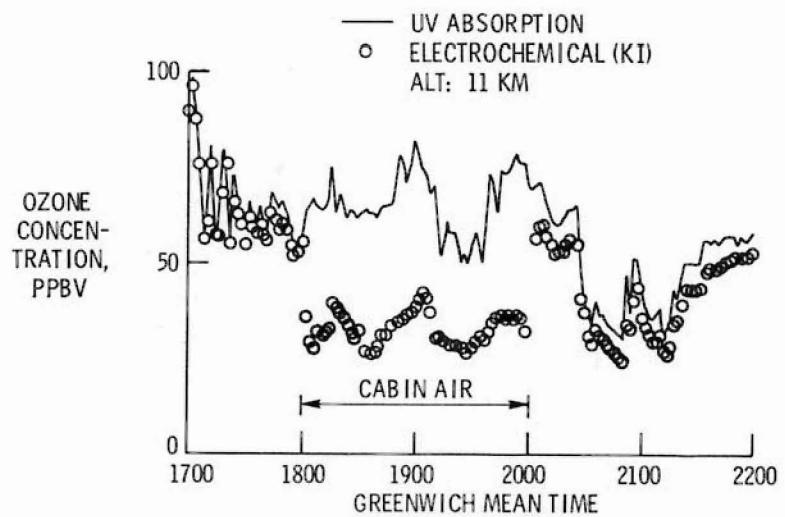


Figure 6. - Comparison of ozone measurement principles and effect of cabin pressurization on ozone level.

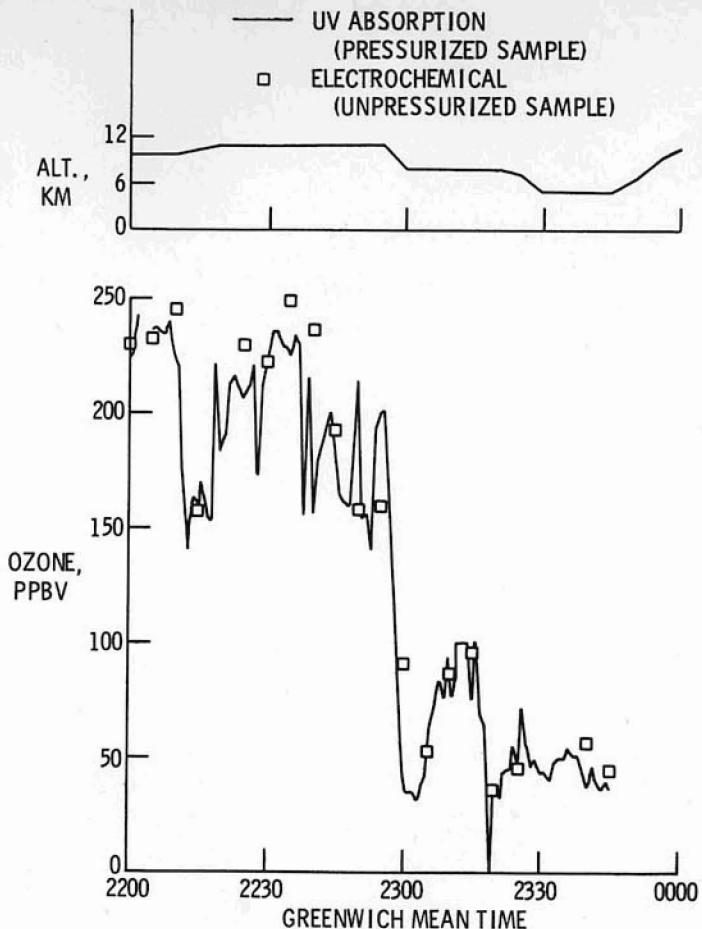


Figure 7. - Effect of pressurization on ozone measurements.

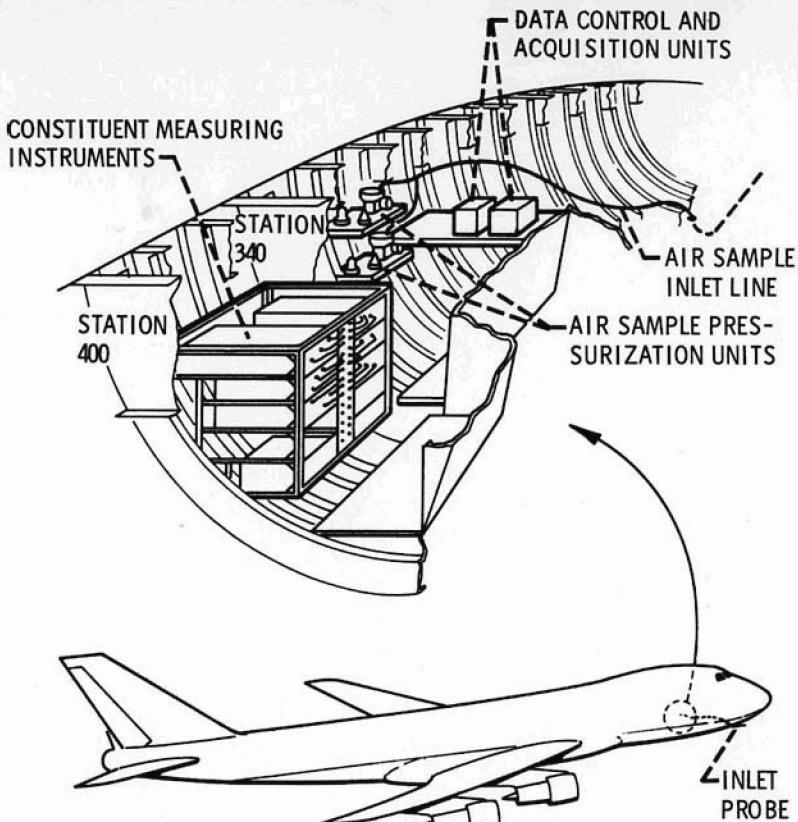
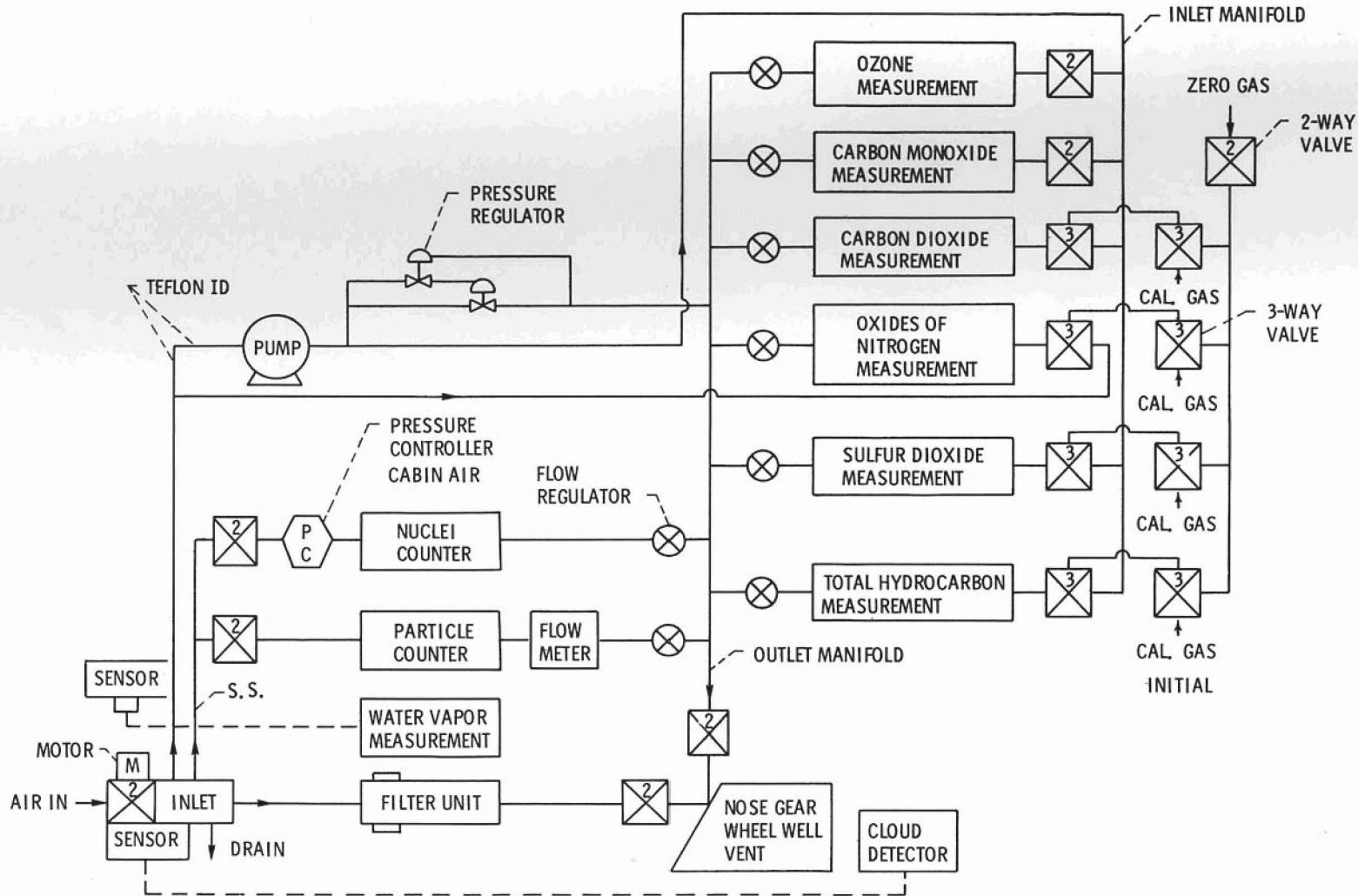


Figure 8. - Gasp inlet probe and equipment location on Boeing 747 airplane.

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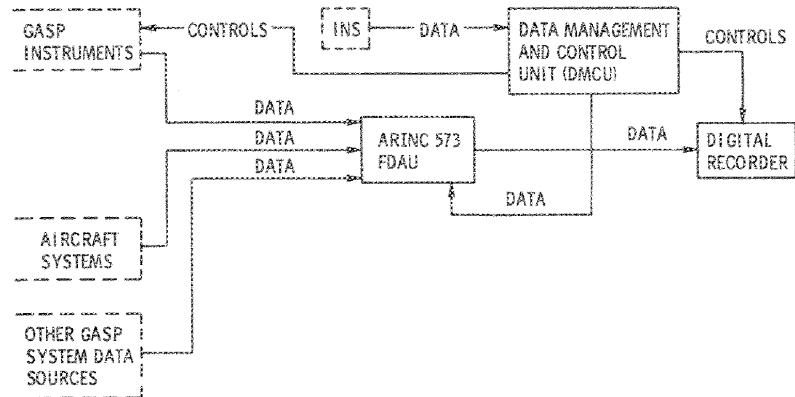


Figure 10. - Data acquisition, management, control, and recording system.

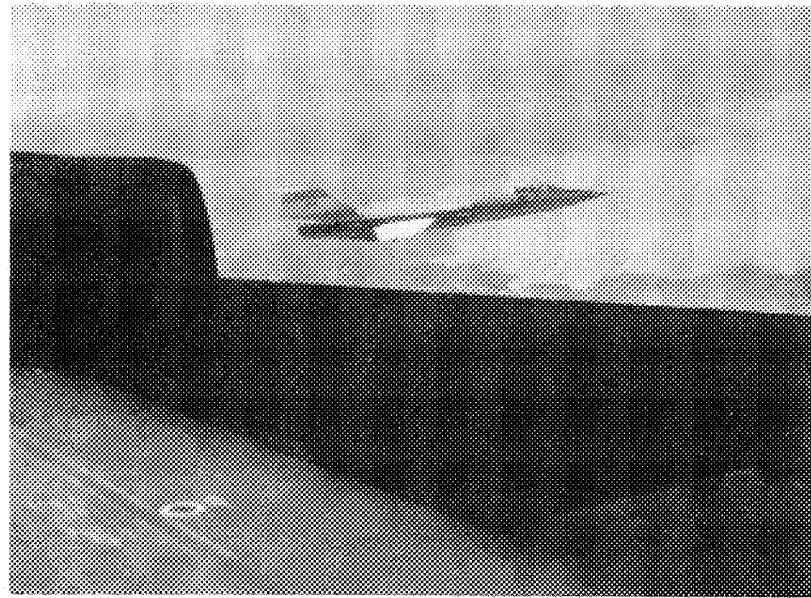


Figure 11. - Rendezvous between F-104 and CV-990 aircraft, 11 kilometer altitude, 0.8 Mach number.

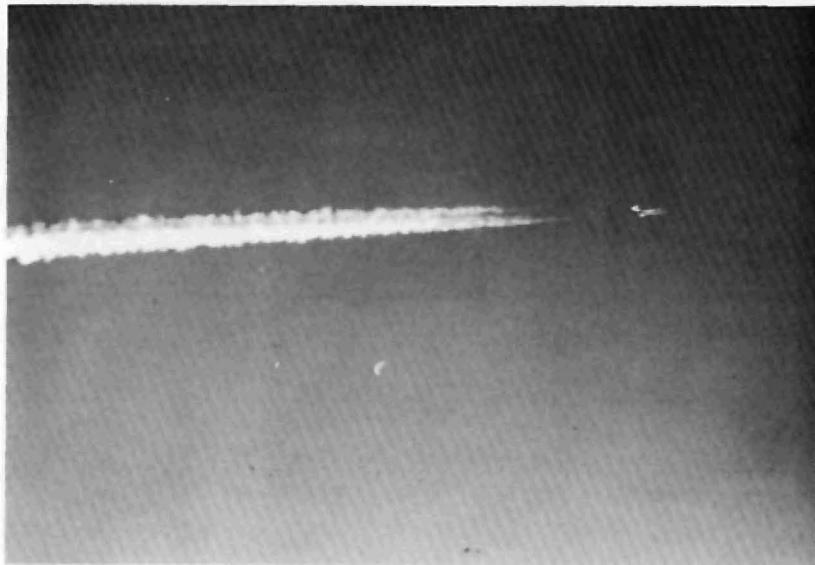


Figure 12. - F-104 aircraft contrail, 11 kilometer altitude, 0.8 Mach number.

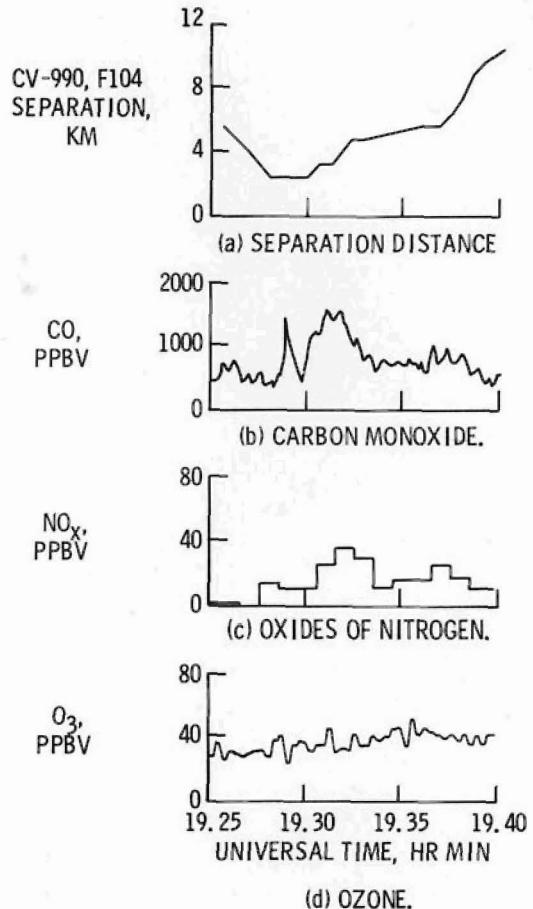


Figure 13. - Measured concentrations in F104 wake,
11 kilometer altitude, 0.8 Mach number. F104
engine afterburner operating.